

# Year 2 Overview Meeting 2022-23 – notes for parents/carers

Below are some of the key points for parents/carers of Year 2 pupils.

## Staff

Jupiter class – Ms Caswell

Mrs Cheung (Thursdays)

Mrs Pole (TA)

Saturn class – Mrs Miscia

Mrs Verma (TA)

Mrs Kumar (LSA)

## Reading

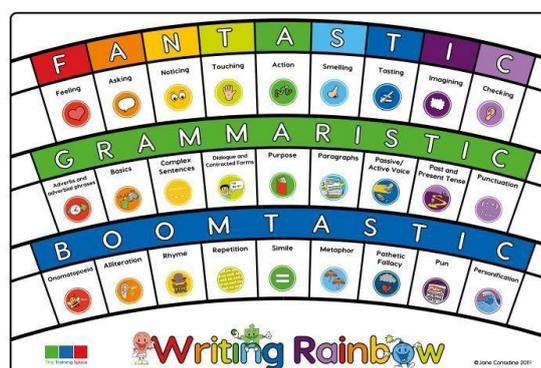
- It is really important that your child reads at home to an adult every day for about 15 minutes and that this is recorded in their reading record and signed by the adult. It is helpful if the adult could write a comment about how the child found the book, any words/sounds they found tricky and/or anything discussed, but not mandatory.
- When you are reading with your child – listen to them read, you might want to read parts to them, ask them questions and discuss the plot and characters.
- Monday – all children will bring home a reading scheme book. Please ensure this book is returned by Thursday.
- Thursday – your child will bring home a second reading scheme book if they are not part of the Little Wandle scheme. Please ensure the book is returned by Monday.
- Friday – if your child is part of the Little Wandle scheme they will bring home their book to share with you. Please ensure this book is returned by Monday.

## Spelling

- Spelling rules and patterns will be taught and revised during the week and the children will receive homework to practice the rule they are learning weekly via Google Classroom.
- Children also need to learn how to read and spell all of the year 1 and year 2 common exception words. A list can be found in your child's reading record book. Please continue to support your child in learning these words.

## Writing

- The children are expected to form lower case and upper case letters of the correct size and use diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters. They should leave finger spaces between their words.
- The children will be taught vocabulary, grammar and punctuation through the use of the lenses on the Writing Rainbow from The Write Stuff scheme by Jane Considine.



## Maths

- The National Curriculum for maths is taught using White Rose Maths Scheme where tasks are split into fluency, reasoning and problem solving.
- Fluency tasks – children apply the basic methods of the calculation.
- Reasoning tasks – children are able to explain their calculations and methods.
- Problem Solving tasks – children can apply their learning to solve a problem.
- Mastery tasks – children can develop and apply their understanding of a concept in greater depth.
- Maths topics covered are: Place value, addition, subtraction, shape, money, multiplication, division, length, height, mass, capacity, temperature, fractions, time, statistics, position and direction.

## Homework

- English and Maths homework will be set via **Google Classroom** every **Thursday** and must be completed by the following **Tuesday**. Work should be 'Turned in' once it is completed.
- If your child is unable to access their work online, please let their class teacher know and alternative arrangements can be made.

## Resources to support learning

### Maths

- Number bonds, times-tables, doubles, halves:  
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
- Addition and subtraction number fact families:  
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/number-facts/number-fact-families>
- Different maths skills:  
<https://uk.ixl.com/maths/year-2>
- White Rose Maths  
<https://whiterosemaths.com/parent-resources>
- Mathletics: <https://login.mathletics.com/#/student>
- Times Tables Rockstars: <https://trockstars.com/>

### English

- Learn about suffixes:  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z8mxrwx/articles/zwgbcwx>
- Common exception words: <https://ictgames.com/littleBirdSpelling/>
- Listen to books read aloud by different authors:  
<https://katemessner.com/learning-at-home-resources-for-primary-grades-prek-2/>
- <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

### General

- All KS1 subjects: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p>
- Typing practice: <https://www.typing.com/student/games>
- National Geographic Kids: <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/teacher-category/primary-resources/>

### Topics and Trips

Each half term we will focus on a different topic, around which most of the children's learning will be based on:

|          | Topic                      | Possible trips               |
|----------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Autumn 1 | Street Detectives          | Whitehall                    |
| Autumn 2 | Land Ahoy                  | Portsmouth Historic Dockyard |
| Spring 1 | Towers Tunnels and Turrets |                              |
| Spring 2 | Scented Garden             | Sutton Ecology Centre        |
| Summer 1 | Wriggle and Crawl          | Mini beast hunt – Cheam Park |
| Summer 2 | Coastline                  | Littlehampton                |

### General

- PE days: Monday (outdoor PE)  
Thursday (indoor PE)
- Library: Tuesday. Please ensure your child brings in their library book to change.

### Communication

You can contact your child's class teacher via the class email address:

Jupiter class: [jupiter@stdunstanscheam.co.uk](mailto:jupiter@stdunstanscheam.co.uk)

Saturn class: [saturn@stdunstanscheam.co.uk](mailto:saturn@stdunstanscheam.co.uk)

If your message is **urgent**, please contact the school office.

Thank you for your support

Ms Caswell and Mrs Miscia